charges. The fourth charge was irregularities in his judgments. On the basis of the observations of the High Court, Government decided that he should be degraded. The High Court observed in their judgment, as follows :—

"On the whole my conclusion is that the Magistrate's wrong view of law and gross disregard of the rules of Criminal Procedure Code have resulted in miscarriage of justice".

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : My question is whether, in the allegations of the High Court, there was moral turpitude or not?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : No, Sir.

MR. PUTHUPPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*) : May I know whether he has discharged his duties properly during the last 17 years and whether his promotions are as a result of his subsequent conduct?

PRESIDENT : The promotions themselves indicate that.

Representations against the Director of Registration.

20. ***MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla III*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any written representations from any member of the Sri Mulam Assembly regarding the actions of Mr. E. I. Mathew as Registration Director and

(*b*) the action taken by Government on such representations?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is receiving the attention of Government.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : May I know how long it is since the representation has been received by the Government?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The honourable member himself has sent up the representation. I do not find any date on the representation, but it was received in the Huzur Office on the 17th September 1935.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : May I know from the Government whether they would pass final orders at least before the retirement of the present Director?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government have called for his explanation and I think final orders can be passed before he retires.

Vacancies of Headmasters' places in Vernacular Middle Schools.

21. ***MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of vacancies of Headmasters' places in Vernacular Middle Schools ;

(*b*) whether any vacancies have been filled up recently ; and

(*c*) if so, the principle the Director of Public Instruction adopted in the matter of giving promotion?

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MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) 30.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Senior-most teachers on Rs. 20-25 in the Vernacular Branch of the Department, who are otherwise eligible for promotion, are ordinarily promoted as Headmasters of Vernacular Middle Schools.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether all the vacancies have been filled up?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): With reference to answer to part (*c*), may I know from the member whether there are extraordinary circumstances in which the teachers other than the teachers mentioned in the answer have been promoted as Headmasters?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir, there are a few cases of teachers who are not senior in the whole State who are now holding acting Headmasters' places. But that is strictly a temporary arrangement.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether undergraduate trained teachers have been ever promoted as Headmasters irrespective of their length of service?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): There are a few cases where seniority has not been strictly followed. But they are regarded as a temporary arrangement.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): Am I to understand from the Director that temporary arrangement means that, when final appointments are made, this temporary acting service would not be considered as a claim?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): When the seniority list is completely ready, these people will be reverted and the men who are really senior will be put in.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know from the member whether those Headmasters who have been appointed temporarily have been so appointed because their seniors are found inefficient?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): No. They have been appointed because the seniority list for the whole State is only under preparation now.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): So, am I to understand from the member that those who are now acting as temporary Headmasters have not been as yet decided to be seniors or juniors?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): They are seniors in their respective Divisions. We have not got a seniority list for the whole State as yet. Temporarily, when vacancies arise in a Division, the senior men in that Division have been put in.

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MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*) : May I know how long it will take for the preparation of the final seniority list?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : In the list as it is now ready, we have got about 60 or 70 names already.

Award of Scholarships.

22. *MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether poor scholarships are being awarded by the Government for education ; and

(*b*) if so, the amount spent therefor by them during the years 1109 and 1110 ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) :

(*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI (*Nominated*) : പൂവർ സ്കാളർഷിപ്പു നൽകണമെന്ന അധ്യക്ഷതരിൽനിന്നും ആരെങ്കിലും അപേക്ഷിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ എന്ന ദയവായി പറയാമോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : Yes, I receive applications frequently.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI (*Nominated*) : എത്രപേർ അപേക്ഷിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I claim notice.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI (*Nominated*) : അധ്യക്ഷതരിൽ ഏതെല്ലാം ജാതിക്കാരാണ് അപേക്ഷകർ അയച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതെന്ന ദയവായി പറയാമോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : All communities belonging to the backward and depressed classes.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI (*Nominated*) : പ്രസ്തുത അപേക്ഷകളെ സംബന്ധിച്ച് ഗൌനിക്കാതിരിക്കുന്നതിനുള്ള പ്രത്യേക കാരണം എന്താണെന്ന ദയവായി പറയാമോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, because ample provision is already made by means of half-fee concessions, full-fee concessions and close scholarships for communities, backward and depressed.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI (*Nominated*) : നിർദ്ധനരായ അധ്യക്ഷത വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്കു പൂവർസ്കാളർഷിപ്പു കൊടുത്തു സഹായിക്കേണ്ടതാണെന്നുള്ള വിവരം ജനപ്രതിനിധികൾ ഗവണ്മെൻറിനെ അറിയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നറിയാമോ?

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